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NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE NO. M/015/072
BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE A MINING
AND RECLAMATION PLAN FOR G-P GYPSUM CORPORATION, HEBE
GYPSUM MINE, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH.

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODU-
TION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL
PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 13, 14, 15, 16, 23 AND 24,
TOWNSHIP 24 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST, SLBM, EMERY COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that the Division of Oil, Gas and
Mining of its tentative decision to approve G-P Gypsum Corpora-
tion's Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Hebe Gypsum
Mine. Mining activities and access roads will effect the follow-
ing area: SW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 13; SW1/4 of the SW1/4
of Section 14; S1/2 of the SE1/4, NW1/4 of the SE1/4; N1/2 of the
SW1/4 of Section 15; NE1/4 of the SE1/4 Section 16; N1/2 of the
NE1/4, SW1/4 of the NE1/4; N1/2 of the NW1/4 of Section 23;
NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 24 South, Range 7 East, SLBM,
Emery County, Utah.

The operator will employ the following mining and reclama-
tion techniques on approximately 32.9 acres of Federal (BLM)
land.

During Operations: Gypsum is exposed and visible on the
proposed mine area. Overburden and topsoil (Cryptobiotic
crust) will be removed with a dozer and excavator and stock-
piled for use in reclamation. The gypsum will be fractured by
drilling and blasting. A road reclaimer type machine may also
be used to mine the gypsum instead of drilling and blasting.
Mined gypsum will be loaded into trucks using a front end
loader. The gypsum will be trucked to G-P's plant in Sigurd for
processing. Dust will be controlled at the mine site by water
sprays on the road reclaimer or water truck. Dust from the haul
road will be controlled by using mag chloride and/or a water
truck. Water for dust control will be obtained off site. The current
access road from the county road will be widened and a turna-
round is proposed to be constructed at each end. The main
access road is included in the Right-of-Way agreements with
the BLM and SITA. Roads accessing the mine area will include
culverts or crossings as needed. Endangered cañal will be re-
moved for storage and later transplanting as mining advances
according to U.S. Fish and Wildlife mitigation plan. Cañal will be
transplanted directly when these areas are being concurrently
reclaimed. Seed from the cañal will be collected annually in
advance of mining activities within that area.

Following Operations: All equipment and debris from opera-
tions will be removed from the site. Hard surfaces such as
roads or staging areas will be ripped to a minimum depth of
twelve inches with a dozer. Soils salvaged along the main ac-
cess road will be spread or reggraded onto the ripped areas. A
loader will be used to transfer the stockpiled overburden and
sub-grade gypsum onto the mine area to be reclaimed, or this
material will be loaded into a truck for placement on the area
to be reclaimed. A dozer and road grader will be used to
spread this material and grade the area to blend in with the
natural contours. The surface of this area will be left in a rough-
ened condition to enhance soil and water retention. The Cryp-
tobiotic soils will be spread over the area using a mechanical
spreader. This area will be seeded with the BLM seedmix using a
drill seeder or broadcast seeder as access allows. All culverts
and drainage diversions will be removed and the natural drain-
ages restored to their approximate original condition.

The person representing the company is Mr. Russ Hams,
phone (702) 643-8100. G-P Gypsum Corporation is fulfilling obli-
gations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975,
Utah Code Ann. ss 40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision
to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest
within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann
Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and
Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt
Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the
complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the
Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the
tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 25th day of September, 1998.

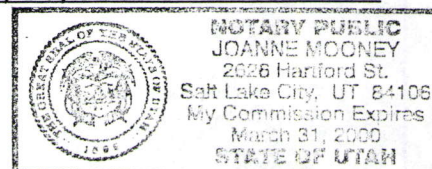
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